

87 > 13. (Once Amended) A data management apparatus to more correctly bill a customer of a reseller of telephone service, based on wholesale billing data of a telephone company and the reseller's internal billing information regarding charges of the telephone service for the customer, the system comprising:

an accessor configured to access a very small part of the wholesale billing data, and to identify, based on a record from the telephone company, a portion of the accessed wholesale billing data for subsequent data manipulation;

a generator configured to generate tabulated data from the identified portion of the accessed wholesale billing data, through data manipulation; and

a comparator configured to compare the tabulated data with the reseller's internal billing information so as to correctly bill the customer;

wherein the tabulated data is not in EBCDIC data format and the wholesale billing data is in EBCDIC data format.

14. (Once Amended) An apparatus as recited in Claim 13 wherein:

the accessor is also configured to transform the identified portion of the accessed wholesale billing data from one data format to another data format; and

the generator is also configured to take into consideration at least a user-preference to generate the tabulated data.

87 > 17. (Once Amended) An apparatus as recited in Claim 16 wherein:

the monthly recurring charge data includes billing telephone numbers and station numbers;

the usage summary includes billing telephone numbers;

the toll usage details include station numbers; and

the usage summary can be linked to the toll usage details through the monthly recurring charge data.